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- I, Keith BOTTELILL of Goyder Avenue, Katoomba, in the State of New South ales, Commonwealth of Australia, Builder, make oath and say as follows:-
- 1. On 15th February, 1942, I was a soldier in 2/19 Australian Infantry Battalion and was taken prisoner at Singapore by the Japanese. On 8th July, 1942, I was shipped in the Ubi Laru to Sandakan, Borneo, as a member of "B" Force. This Force disembarked at Sandakan on 18th and 19th July, 1942.
- I have read paragraphs 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7 of Affidavit of Alexander Gordon Weynton dated 21st. November, 1946 (Evidentiary Document No. 5396) and I corroborate the truth of the contents thereof with the exception of the reference to Constable as I did not see the manner in which he was treated.
- At the beginning of 1944 food ration was reduced to five ounces of weevily rice and a small quantity of taploca daily. Tropical ulcers, beri beri and dysentery became prevalent and from the end of 1944 until I left Sandakan in February, 1945, men were dying at the rate of seven per day. A total of 400 had died when I left.
- two periods in a cage 9 feet x 18 feet x 5 feet. This was the second cage built at Sandakan. The first period was for twelve days and the second for forty days. For the first seven days of each period, I was given no food at all and the only sustenance I had was banana peels which I picked up on the way to the latrine. Every third day I received a drink of water. For the remainder of the time I was in the cage I received half of the rations given to ordinary prisoners of war. Every time we left the cage to go to the latrines, we were beaten by the guards. Each morning we were taken out of the cage for about an hour and made to do physical jerks. Whilst these were in progress we were all severely bashed by the guards. Men had to be carried back to the cage some crying others unconscious. We were also taken out of the cage and beaten if we did not sit to attention throughout the day. We were deprived of our clothes except a "G" string and no blankets

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were provided. During my last period of confinement in the cage there were 17 others with me and there was not enough room to lie down at night. On each occasion that I was in the cage, I was placed there on the orders of Captain Hoshijima, Camp Commandant. Everyone who was placed in the cage was treated in a similar manner.

Early in December, 1944, Pte. Farber was placed in the cage, After two weeks he died whilst in the cage from ill-treatment and exposure. Our doctor requested that a blanket be supplied to prisoners in the cage and from then onwards this was done.

Pte Tyrell and four other prisoners were sentenced to the cage in December, 1944, for the duration of the war. Tyrell had died at the time that I left Sandakan, but the others were still in the cage. They subsequently died. The prisoners I have mentioned as being placed in the cage were so treated because they had gone into the bush to obtain tapioca roots or had taken food from the quartermaster's Store. Much of this food was stolen for the sick who were always kept on half rations.

- 6. Throughout my stay at Sandakan men were continually belted with sticks and rifles. If they fell to the ground they were kicked until they got up or lost consciousness. On occasions men were made to stand at attention and the Japs would drive their knees into the men's testicles. If they fainted under this treatment they were revived with water and the treatment continued. Even the sick were subjected to this treatment. The Japs hated the sick because they considered them to be nuisances.
- 7. Lieutenant Okahara was in charge of "B" Force when it first came to Sandakan. Complaints were made to him by our officers that the prisoners on working parties were being ill treated. He said, "I have instructed the guards to beat the prisoners to make them work harder as the aerodrome must be completed by October." Captain Hoshijima took over control from Okahara. He was personally responsible for the confinement of prisoners in the cage without food. After two Australians, Young and another had been bashed under his instructions, he paked his fingers into their eyes. They both died. He was himself sentenced to death by hanging by an Australian Military Court. He is the hoshijima referred to on page 9 of Evidentiary Document No. 5219.
- 8. In February, 1945, 350 Australian and 120 English prisoners were sent from Sandakan to march to hanau. They left daily in parties of 40 or 50. I was in the third party. We were accompanied by an officer, three N.C.O's and 15 privates

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as a guard. We had to carry their armunition and food as well as our own food and equipment. Men dropped out from the march as they became too weak to carry on. They were immediately shot. I saw four men shot by the Japanese Sergeant hajor when they fell out from the march. At one time the only food that forty of us had between us for three days was six cucumbers.

When we were about a week out of hanau we crossed a large mountain and while we were making the crossing two Australians, Pte. humphries and a corporal whose name I cannot remember, fell out. They were suffering from beri beri, malaria and dysentery and became too sick to travel on. A Japanese private shot the corporal and a Japanese sergeant shot humphries. Altogether we lost five men on that hill.

As we were going along men would fall out as they became too weak to carry on. We would go on and then shortly after hear shots and men squealing out; when this occurred there were always Japanese behind us, and it was they who did the shooting. Although I did not see the bodies of any men who had been shot in the parties that had gone before us, often I could smell them.

Of the 50 who started out from Sandakan in my party, 37 reached kanau. The trip took us 17 days, as we went straight through, marching every day. The Japanese who came with us were in very good physical condition and had more rations than we did on the march. A couple had malaria but they were left behind at the outposts and came along later when they felt fit enough. I saw these men coming through about six weeks later.

9. After we had reached kanau I was one of a party of Australians sent back 26 miles towerds Sandakan to carry rice for the troops coming on and for the Japanese. The journey would take us five days - three days out and two days back. Three parties who were making the journey to kanau stayed at this place and it was for them that we carried out the rice and also for the Japanese guards. Each of us had to carry one 45-lb bag of rice on his back over hills and swampy ground. As a result of the hard conditions, several men died while thus carrying rice. We used to help those who were too weak and practically carried many of them back to camp. While carrying rice on one occasion, Fte. Shear was shot nine miles from kanau and Fte Alberts and a corporal were bayonetted by the Japanese 20 miles from kanau. They were too weak to carry on and fell out. I saw the bayonetting myself; the men were on the ground at the time. The corporal and myself used to go into the gardens for tapioca which we would cook up and make a decent meal of, so I was one of the fittest men in

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the camp. On this occasion of the bayonetting and shooting, their was on the ground calling out, "Don't shoot me," and putting his hands up, but nevertheless he was shot and left lying on the ground.

- 10. In March, 19-5, 2 Australians, Crease and Cleary, attempted to escape from Lanau but were recaptured and tortured. They were screaming with pain. They were tied up in the open in full view of the natives for two weeks. Cleary had no clothes and had a chain around his neck. He died within ten minutes of being released.
- Lashings were an every day occurrence at hanau.

 A frivate lurray took some food from a food dump. Le was tied up outside the guard house and on the same afternoon taken by a medical orderly and another guard to the cemeter; and bayonetted to death. Our food at this stage consisted of 100 grammes rice, 100 grammes sweet potatoes and 100 grammes tapioca daily. Le were given no medical supplies. Deaths were occurring from starvation, dysentery, malaria and beri beri. In recording deaths Japs only allowed us to show them as being caused by malaria or dysentery.

Of the 470 prisoners that had left Sandakan in February, 1945, six only were alive in June, 1945, the remainder had died or been killed. On the other hand the Japs were all in good condition except for a few who had contracted malaria. The Japanese had plenty of food and none were suffering from malnutrition.

- In June, 1945, a further party of 140 arrived at lanau from Sandakan. Short was one of those in this party. hen they had left Sandakan, there were 600 of them, but the remainder had perished on the march. When I made my escape in July about 100 of these men were still alive; they were then dying at the rate of about seven a day, mainly from starvation. They were given a small cup of rice water a day with about an inch of rice in the bottom. Plenty of rice was available and the Japanese used to get 600 grams a day themselves; they also used to get tapicca, meat, eggs and sweet potatoes and showed no signs of malnutrition. The clothes of the men who died would be taken from them and the Japanese would trade them with the natives for food/themselves. Plankets were also taken and traded with the natives.
- A Korean guard named Lemora had told Fte. Moxom who had made the march from Sandakan with me, that we would all be shot by the Japs if the Australians landed. On 7 July, 1945, hoxom, Short, Anderson and I escaped. On the first night

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we were out we broke into a Japanese dump and secured food. Anderson died on 28th July, 1945. We were in the jungle for six weeks before we were rescued. Ly weight fell from 132 pounds to 84 pounds whilst in captivity.

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the 6th day }
of December, 1946. }
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(Sgd)..A.J..WANSFIELD.

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ひているのするとのでの大部といかかい、午月子は小段状張う目書のといると子中、第三・四五十及大部子閉は隣しくよい、は二コンストプリーとトンALEXANDER GORDON MENNTON一筒で供送書(証標書の報子至)と今、一九四十年一的神子子一十一月十一日時了ちゃらり、ゴードン、は

セナリンタメ、ショ除かんいて、其・他、該外谷、豆果性ラ 一部になったいいいい。 ソニス田里/開発ナル王/- 初頭人民事·即常里に一日二 たるならは 古祖一公長にしり 米五十二ス 人 りつてきしたびとか 一成ジンと、朝鮮性魔傷、御気及本神等が流行 到一下一九四里后班十六年一年来了一九四五年原本十 生子二日二年かナンシャン/SANDAKAN/中土コニッツ人でこ 日七ろり割谷下は、テトラのは神なののなかな かせから二次たいか × |九回田年/院がナイ年/八月コー/九回田年/院は 十九年一十一月三至了門、今二同三五十八十八年 在れ、十八及五政、禄谷で甘香とりは、熊客、井、うり たこ/SANDAKAN/二次下記でことります」、はならデアウラ 第一回、十二日門下第二回、日の日間テアに、一回 去、京府的一大日間、今、全然人見物了好、ランズ、人子 「九年」、原本、原外、一人原中、信う はななったし、シテアにろ三日一番三年八一口、水ニアリ いり、草、後、金人欲期間中、一百角房事二 対き好いうしい定会を見し生かう得り、我やか 原作へ行りべり徐をうない母」我は衛子國打け しる一番朝牧々、いい一時間、緑金のラ汁力サンテ家 又とり運動了行いセラレクの比」運動一展生、米々に の全于別いう衛午一段打せり、英者には一時

午下了や者八人華一个省二十八下衛(高三連)点 ト 白サントのかから、我々、所謂いけぬがれいでという、子子を持てきますとし、我々、亦様をたら引し、けいネベナラナカいろかたし、我々が一日中気、時と 類っていそ布はいってナカいろ。今は二回目三 は食一番なってきたくちしたったってとないたをないう 子りにテーは今二子の一十四十四十日にろいた 泛波翔丰一心悟西部表示你在成少了可州四月公子 海(CAPTAIN HOSHIJIMA)-伦金小村与地区人了了了流 供食をはたなけり有べたり同い様+扱うらえてり た一九四四年一郎和ナ九年一十二月、初旬、ハーバー午 京一PTE BARBER「七八、緑色」は、今日、一門間後 は、居体、水電三四、所内三届は中三九十いろ 八杯十一郎田本が入茶中、写着中へ、大杯・土と常不 う禁い、よりい子は、後ハンが実施せしろ ントフライナナ/ DLE: LKETT Kま-ではあるが、一大日日 1年/佛教十九年/十一年二十年以後年後年一年本十一年 TATTOM CX-75/ TYRETT/: (FEITT/ SANDAKAN) う場ちい前三外七とやしかるいまかってなるとうな く你生ででです、たっちませせりと、送ったり。 上唐が掛、い虚空国」土水いり、成等がたびそか根。 株成了了華版林一人、一人以、海路原一郎被品 よう食物で取いるが放からか、はしかり物、大部分

長う財教之一名,日本軍事八八公りスラ射教シタ、秋八後計立 るす其、山戸矢つり 之が見化了行進了接行三得十分十万多千下几、一名一日本兵士八位 が某位長が防任之人做等人脚角マライヤ及京角ラ港の下居り 此·横断中二人名·凉州人一即中八丁了一大年及姓八失念章 一打成八十三日南四の名下分十合了了食物、懂の六本、胡似一三丁了之 彩龙近约一进日行程,所不敢公一了一大十山了越了,

が似等へ前情也是残了了後が十分一調子が回復了少丁二下進中二得了了り以上一定食量了爱生見一名がマラーヤ二雅二夕 同行文日本兵八非常是好人健康状能力了了加之利力下行 着」り、此一旅行八日、休ミモナク一路直近上下十七日う要とろ、我々ト 鳴り南クーデアワクがすかアルトき、中で利なった後二日本兵が居り サラカンカラ上発シタ王の名・年・後中デニセるがラナウスのハンニ引 「夕者一氏体八見ハシナカララが、度力、一見う嗅ず得り。 射擊者コ八位等デアリア、京八秋のヨー前五葵とり後で打殺了 但三年行了一下中了外外人が行进了孩子干行了上午工旅降上人非 我ながり進るいらしては属へ弱って行進が愛行为ますりする

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ラサスかラナウズAMO/一到着デララネへ来看ショワアル隊及日下兵 食物す作りデアワタ。かかうるい該収容所内で最も身体し 余六帝"たびとかり探取、庭園三入り下行き、料理之下相学 我の目野ランターテアル此人人八女一时地上、倒して十夕、該位長ト 松助之実陰多了衰弱者可收於所(連,皮多,或,時米, 壮健十一人デアフク ナウス糖イデ山地では地下越へネバナラナカラク、此一困難、條件! 三陽が該地二岸留三月居了秋八か米三運搬了八此一萬一島 到上下行進ラ鏡行ン件ズ花位シターラアル。余八比一眼が其一利 福州人、孩一員デアック、此一旅行へ五日間コラサストへンデアワク 为一一四十一十二年天二代到了刑我十一岁、他等八非常一意 でとき数名が断り不一運搬中二社七三夕、私人一年·意列着 トホロで軍衛兵、為下ア「タ、我八、铭八四五封度、未袋ョ 即中位後三日及歸給二日、ラナウ (ANAL)=何丁前進二十后夕 岩·米·運搬スペクサンクゥン/SNOMM/方面へ二六里送り戻すり 教す、アバーワークアモルBERTS/矢平トまは長ハラナウノ 運椒中一ラーPTF、TEAR/矢平へうナウ人RAMAU/カラ九里、所が対 RAMAU

中夕が一私り打了了心心绝叫之下面手了原子少見是言物 此·判殺·射殺·行心夕時、中一(MEMR)、地面二生了公式 ハラズ彼八射殺すし下倒しタママ地上二枚思すしず

戸房向から 一九四五年一的和三年 ·一名·豫州人がラナウ/RAMU/ナラ版走ラ試ミタが建柳サし 彼等八苦痛,為悲鳴了上分多。似等二周 三月·クリーズ/CRENSE/トラマン/CLENK

3 向二民,自由于監視·禮、屋外。解竹りってテたり、フーアりにはれた」 谷フスキーみてこり へ衣類の終入頭部一鎖の平所りつし下居名は八枚豆サレラナウト

ハ殴ガハラナウノ RANAU = 於テハロ当本家教事ディワク、マレレ HURRAY 京朝=起因スハマト言ラデナケ人許可シナカワタ 在一天君》生了外就之了記録又八二院之下是中矣八初至、マランで及 少三天與「ラレナカワタ、飢餓、未痢、マラーヤ及脚気等二起因こう以 薩摩聽一〇の及及だびをか一〇の風から成つき居力、我公医療 車力食糧集積傷力方若干食糧力切取力,他一衛兵所一座 行七千該創了利我七夕此一多時秋八日、食糧八本一日。 外一种了一一大其日一午後一名一衛七天福视天三墓場三連

生在三跨舍八死亡多方或八教皇中一多一方日不矣八老千名於 七。名,信唇中一九四五年人仍和二十年人大月三催的六名三 マラリヤ高龍ラアサタ以外全員が好信件ヨアングロ下矢八食禮八八 分三十八名一菜食不足二十二夕君を届十九万夕 九四五年四記二十年ノ二月二サンダカンノMUNKAN了五癸三久四

1一九四五年/昭和二年年/六月三天三一回の名一後がすらかカンクないる が行進中死でころ、七月、余が地走ラケ、此等一00名,人達が不 七百十一方人位等人女、切一的七名,到合丁主上一个创 日六〇の及う構取シテ居久彼等八本帝二たびとか肉卵及藤摩 務が小校一杯給與とり、本八十分入手去来、日本矢白身、常二 タニみてラワアワタ、你等六一日·底·米粒が约一丁程次·デチル カラ、ラナウ/RAWAU/三到着シタ、ショート/SHERT/八比一像一員デア いた、他等がヤングウン/MIDAKAN/ラと発きタケニへた。の名·着がチラ

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高いり、玉布類、木・ラー下土氏をラータ、八富、乳をある、子の類、一の一乳をある、白の道、包切、得いる一人は、月一二氏三、た理り霧下傷の、生力、生力、光を不足、水便、子不サナカワク、北て名、本題

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